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2. The Orlon fiber manufactured at the Buna Works underwent certain structural changes under the influence of light. In May 1954, research was being conducted on the possibility of making the Orlon fibers light-resistant.
3. Delivery orders received by the Buna Works from Soviet satellite states decreased. The volume of export deliveries handled by the East German Railroads for the Buna plant also decreased.

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